imported LPG, through a separate distribution network, at market prices.

(c) About 20 private enterpreneurs including multinationals have shown interest in and made enquiries about importing LPG.

(d) The prices would be determined by market forces.

Non-Renewal of Contract with Malaysia for Supply of Petroleum Products

1184. SHRI P. UPENDRA : Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government have decided not to renew contract with Malaysia for supply of petroleum products;

(b) what are the reasons for this decision; and

(c) what alternative sources have been identified to ensure uninterrupted supply of petroleum products, including crude oil ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (CAPTAIN SATISH SHARMA) : (a) to (c) While contract for the supply of .50 MMT of crude oil was renewed the contract for the supply of petroleum products viz., SKO and HSD was not renewed on economic considerations as the price offered was on the higher side.

Retention of Equity by Iranian Oil Company

1185. SHRI P. UPENDRA : Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Madras Refineries Limited has approached Government for clearance to go in for private placement to enable the Iranian Oil Company to retain its equity stake; and

(b) what is the response of Government in this regard ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (CAPTAIN SATISH SHARMA) : (a) and (b) Madras Refineries Limited has proposed to come out with a Partly Convertible Debenture (PCD) Issue of Rs. 525 crores. NIOC has expressed interest to subscribe to the PCDs to the proportionate extent of its holding. Government of India has since approved the Issue in January, 1993.

Implementation of Schemes During the Eighth Five Year Plan

1186. SHRI AJIT P.K. JOGI : SHRI MOOL CHAND MEENA :

Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state :

(a) the schemes oil and natural gas proposed to be taken up during the Eighth Five Year Plan;

(b) the places where such schemes are to be implemented and the estimated cost thereof; and

(c) whether Government are contemplating to lay oil pipeline between Vijayawada and Vishakhapatnam also ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (CAPTAIN SATISH SHARMA) : (a) and (b) The major schemes pertaining to upstream oil and gas sector proposed to be taken up during the Eighth Five Year Plan (1992-97) with places of implementation and cost thereof as approved by Planning Commission are given in the enclosed statement (*See* below).

(c) Yes, Sir.

Statement

Implementation of schemes during the Eighth Five Year Plan

(Rupees in crores)

Name of the Public Sector Under-taking	Sl. No.	Name of Scheme	Approved outlay
1	2	3	4
Oil and Natural Gas Commission	1.	Surveys	400.00
	2.	Exploratory Drilling	3100.00
	3.	Development Drilling	2500.00
	4.	South Bassien Development Phase. II—Offshore	32.00
	5.	Gas Sweetening Plant—Ph. II—Hazira-Gujarat	115.00
	6.	Gandhar Development Phase-I Gujarat	46.00
	7.	Heera Development Phase-II Offshore	156.00
	8.	B-57 Development—Offshore	11.00
	9.	BH-22 Development—Offshore	31.00
	10.	BH-25 Development — Offshore	28.11
	11.	Panna Development Phase II—Offshore	80.00
	12.	L-II Development — Offshore	1471.00
	13.	Neelam Development — Offshore	2169.00
	14.	Mukta Development — Offshore	71.43
	15.	BHL III Infill — Offshore	3000.00
	16.	Gandhar Development Phase II—Gujarat	448.00
	17.	Ravva-Offshore	50.00
	18.	R-15A Development Ph. I—Offshore	81.00
	19.	Second Bassein Hazira Pipe-Line and Hazira Terminal Expansion — Gujarat	1500.00
	20.	ICP Heera Pipeline — Offshore	300.00
Oil India Limited	21.	Drilling & Surveys (Assam & Arunachal Pradesh) — Assam	550.00
	22.	Rajasthan (Surveys) — Rajasthan	15.00
	23.	Expansion of Crude Oil Trunk Pipeline — Assam	40.00

(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)
	24.	Rajasthan Drilling — Rajasthan	60.00
	25.	Saurashtra (Exploratory Drilling) — Offshore	30.00
	26.	Ganga Valley (Survey) — U.P.	10.00
	27.	Rajasthan Gas Development Project — Rajasthan	29.98
Gas Authority of India Limited	28.	Hazira-Bijaipur-Jagdishpur Gas Pipeline — Gujarat	125.24
	29.	LPG Plant at Bijaipur — Gujarat	62.74
	30.	LPG Project Vagodia — Gujarat	25.02
	31.	Feasibility Study for Bombay Gas Dist. Maharashtra	28.00
	32.	HEJ Upgradation	937.31
	33.	LPG Project — Lakwa—Assam	5.00
	34.	LPG C2/C3 Project — Hazira— Gujarat	50.00
	35.	LPG C2/C3 Project — Gandhar—I Gujarat	100.00
	36.	LPG Project—USAR—I — Maharastra	25.00
	37.	LPG Along Upgraded HBJ Pipeline	25.00

Agreement Between India and Oman for Gas Supply

1187. SHRI MOHINDER SINGH LATHER :
SHRI ANANT RAM JAISWAL :

Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state :

(a) whether any MOU has been signed between India and Oman for laying Sub-sea Natural Gas pipeline from Oman to Gujarat ;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof and whether any final agreement has been arrived at between India and Oman in this connection;

(c) whether the role of the Indian Oil Corporation companies in this project have been defined; and

(d) if so, what are the details thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (CAPTAIN SATISH SHARMA) : (a) and (b) A Memorandum of Understanding has been signed to explore the possibility of importing natural gas by pipeline.

(c) and (d) The project is still at a conceptual stage and details such as participation by Indian Companies have not been worked out.

Increase in the Prices of Crude Oil

1188. SHRI MOHINDER SINGH LATHER :
SHRI ANANT RAM JAISWAL :

Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state :